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1. The visitor to Usedom Island may now wander all over it at will; there are no restrictions. In late December 1948 the only evidence of Soviet activity at Peenemünde consisted of approximately fifty German laborers engaged in completing dismantling operations.
2. Most of the laborers formerly used at Peenemünde are now drafted for jobs in Swinemünde where, despite ostensible Polish authority, the Russians control all harbor installations and public utilities. Such workers are required to fill out extensive questionnaires, and no one is engaged who has relatives in the Western Zones. Those hired are permitted to visit their families every two weeks.
3. The majority of workers at Swinemünde are employed in raising the former German steamship Kordelia from the harbor floor.

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